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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q61904

Akinori HARADA, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/726,507

Group Art Unit: 1752

Confirmation No.: 1096

Examiner: HAMILTON, CYNTHIA

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For: PLATE-MAKING METHOD, PLATE-MAKING APPARATUS USED IN SUCH
PLATE-MAKING METHOD, AND IMAGE RECORDING MATERIAL

SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

As a supplement to Applicant's response to the Office Action dated July 2, 2003, which was filed on October 2, 2003, please consider the remarks below.

REMARKS

Claim 7 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Liu et al (2002/0074320A1). In reply, Applicants stated that they would rely upon their foreign priority to overcome the rejection. Applicants submitted with their reply a new Declaration and translation of the priority document that meets the precise language of the U.S. Patent rules. However, the Examiner called the undersigned to advise that the new Declaration had not been received with the translation, and that the only Declaration in the file was an original version that had been considered objectionable.

Applicants stated in the previously submitted Amendment that the new Declaration was being submitted and the filing receipt mail room stamp dated October 2, 2003 (copy enclosed) states that a Declaration and translation were filed.

In order to complete the USPTO files, Applicant is again submitting a copy of the Declaration with the proper language, as required by the Examiner.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

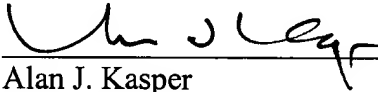
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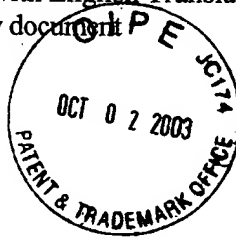
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1. Response Under 37 C.F.R. §1.111
2. Declaration with English Translation of the Certified Copy
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Declaration

I, a national of Japan, c/o A. WATANABE & ASSOCIATES of 1-20-10-203, Takadanobaba, Shinjuku-ku, Tokyo 169-0075, Japan, do hereby solemnly and sincerely declare:

- 1) THAT I am well acquainted with the Japanese language and English language, and
- 2) THAT the attached is a full, true, accurate and faithful translation into the English language made by me of the Japanese language text of the certified copy of Japanese Application 11-344629, from which priority in the present application is claimed.

The Undersigned declares further that all statements made herein of his own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001, of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

Singed this 11th day of August



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